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## **MTD Board Announces the Retirement of General Manager, Gary Gleason**

The Santa Barbara Metropolitan Transit District (MTD) Board of Directors and General Manager, Gary Gleason are pleased to jointly announce Mr. Gleason's retirement, effective December 31, 2003. Beginning today, Mr. Gleason will be on an administrative leave of absence as he begins to pursue other opportunities. The Board wishes to express its appreciation for Mr. Gleason's 26 years of exemplary service and his many accomplishments to the benefit of this community.

Today, the Board of Directors appointed Assistant General Manager, Sherrie Fisher, to serve as interim General Manager pending recruitment for Mr. Gleason's successor.

Although a disagreement arose over Mr. Gleason's current employment contract, that dispute has been amicably resolved, which will avoid any threat of litigation. The details of the parties' settlement of that disagreement will be made public when the paperwork has been finalized.

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